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In Re Application: Swearingen et al.  
Serial No. 09/569,656  
Filed: May 12, 2000  
Art Unit: 2768  
Examiner: Unassigned  
For: Method and System for Graphically Differentiating User Preferred Securities  
From One Another

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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- [X] This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the national application other than a continued prosecution application under §1.53(d) or within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in §1.491 in an international application or before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits or before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a request for continued examination under §1.114. (37 CFR §1.97(b)).
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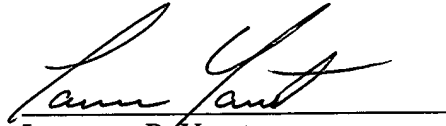
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Respectfully Submitted,



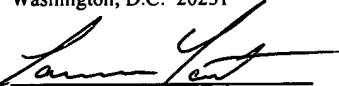
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Method and System for Executing Trades in a User Preferred Security  
Our File: 1302-1001

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing please find the following items relating to the above-identified application:

- (1) Information Disclosure Statement;
- (2) Form PTO-1449 with references; and
- (3) Postcard.

Please file the above and return the date-stamped postcard to our office at the address listed above. In the meantime, if you have any questions or comments concerning this matter, please call the undersigned at your earliest convenience. Otherwise, please accept the enclosed.

Sincerely,

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